

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
57th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION  
JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG RANGE PLANNING**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN MATT MCCANN**, on January 26, 2001 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 350 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Matt McCann, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Bob Keenan, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Tom A. Beck (R)  
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)  
Sen. Jon Tester (D)  
Rep. Steve Vick (R)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Jane Hamman, OBPP  
Andrea Hyatt, Committee Secretary  
Brian McCullough, Legislative Branch  
Christi Tyson, OBPP

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 9, 1/26/2001  
Executive Action:

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**HEARING ON ARCHIE BRAY FOUNDATION**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on the **Archie Bray Foundation**, NO. 938, PG. 39.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Josh DeWeese, Resident Director**, reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. He passed out The Archie Bray Foundation Newsletter **EXHIBIT(jlh21a01)** to the subcommittee members.

**Toni Broadbent, Owner of Insty Prints in Helena**, spoke in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** commented that if any of the new committee members have not visited the Archie Bray Foundation that it is worth the trip to go out and participate in their activities.

**SEN. TESTER** asked about the programs offered through the foundation with professional potters. **Mr. DeWeese** listed some of the potters that came and put on workshops and also pointed out special events that will be happening throughout the rest of the year. EXHIBIT 18.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Archie Bray Foundation, NO. 938, PG. 39.**

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**HEARING ON THE ARTIST GROUP**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **The Artist Group, NO. 940, PG. 41.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Kim DeLong, Director**, he explained the programs that they put on and how successful they have been. They provided a brief video of a performance. **Mr. DeLong** passed out a handout **EXHIBIT(jlh21a02)** to the subcommittee.

**Sallyann Mulcahy** spoke in support of the project.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**SEN. KASTEN** asked if the number in their brochure that indicates 15,800 benefit from their events are just in the Helena area. **Mr. DeLong** said yes. **SEN. KASTEN** asked where the state support comes from. **Mr. DeLong** said it came from grants through various organizations throughout Helena.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** commented the subcommittee tries to spread participation from not only the communities they represent but to the communities of Montana. **Mr. DeLong** said he felt the people who have participated and experienced the Artists Group have been more than just the Helena community. **Ms. Sallyann Mulcahy** pointed out with their recent show Out of Ashes, it involved Butte and Missoula communities. They have had feedback from Havre and Great Falls as well.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **The Artist Group, NO. 940, PG. 41.**

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HEARING ON HELENA SYMPHONY SOCIETY

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Helena Symphony Society, NO. 950, PG. 51.**

Proponents' Testimony:

**Dr. James Burkholder, Clarinetist and Board Member,** spoke in favor of funding.

**John Mundinger, Past Chairman of the Board of Directors,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Leslie Gilkey, Executive Director,** spoke in favor of funding and showed a clip from a video of the Symphony.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

**REP. KASTEN** asked how much is a ticket and how much is the seasonal ticket. **Mrs. Gilkey** said the individual tickets are \$15 adult, \$12 senior citizen, and \$5 students. The seasonal ticket cost \$85 or \$45.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Helena Symphony Society, NO. 950, PG. 51.**

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HEARING ON HOLTER MUSEUM OF ART

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Holter Museum of Art, NO. 951, PG. 52.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Peter Held, Executive Director**, reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding.

**Chase Hibbard, Former Legislator**, spoke on behalf of grant #951 and described their many programs.

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Mr. Hibbard continued his testimony.

**Joe Kiely, President**, spoke in favor of grant #951.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Holter Museum of Art, NO. 951, PG. 52.**

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**HEARING ON MADISON VALLEY CULTURAL CORP**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Madison Valley Cultural Corp, NO. 920, PG. 20.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Steve Ellis** spoke on behalf of grant #920. He gave out a performance schedule **EXHIBIT(jlh21a03)** for the Madison River Music Festival.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** asked how long the program has been in place. **Mr. Ellis** answered 3 years.

**SEN. TESTER** asked about expansion of their program because there is no previous grant history. **Mr. Ellis** replied they would like to be self-sufficient but the problem they are trying to focus on is getting media attention.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Madison Valley Cultural Corp, NO. 920, PG. 20.**

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HEARING ON MONTANA ART GALLERY DIR ASSOC

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Montana Art Gallery Dir Assoc, NO. 954, PG. 55.**

Proponents' Testimony:

**Mark Browning, President, Volunteer Board of Trustees for the Montana Art Gallery Directors Association (MAGDA)** spoke on behalf of grant #954 and reviewed their project. He handed the subcommittee a directory **EXHIBIT (j1h21a04)** of the members.

**Peter Held, serves on the MAGDA Board,** spoke in favor of grant #954.

Questions from the Committee Members and Responses: None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Montana Art Gallery Dir Assoc, NO. 954, PG. 55.**

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HEARING ON CASCADE CO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Cascade Co Historical Society, NO. 975, PG. 76.**

Proponents Testimony:

**Cindy Kittredge, Executive Director,** spoke on behalf of grant #975. She passed out a flyer to each subcommittee member on **EXHIBIT (j1h21a05)** information detailing the New High Plains Heritage Center.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

**SEN. TESTER** questioned the location. **Ms. Kittredge** responded on Second Street. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned when they were open. **Ms. Kittredge** responded they are open Tuesday through Fridays from 10:00am-5:00pm and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5:00pm.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Cascade Co Historical Society, NO. 975, PG. 76.**

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**HEARING ON PARIS GIBSON SQUARE**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Paris Gibson Square, NO. 981, PG. 82.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Judy Ericksen** commented that the representative was not there but they may be on the road. The weather was not very good but if they showed up later in the meeting **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** stated they would listen to representative from Paris Gibson Square. A letter and testimony was faxed to the committee. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a06)**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Paris Gibson Square, NO. 981, PG. 82.**

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**HEARING ON GREAT FALLS CIVIC CENTER**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Great Falls Civic Center, NO. 979, PG. 80.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Joseph Franklin, Professional Consultant,** stated he was in favor grant #979 and reviewed the project. **Dona Hughes** was in the audience and available to respond to questions.

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**Mr. Franklin** continued his testimony.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**SEN. TESTER** asked how many seats were in the Civic Center. **Ms. Hughes** answered 1776 seats.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Great Falls Civic Center, NO. 979, PG. 80.**

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HEARING ON MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Museum of the Rockies, NO. 931, PG. 32.**

Proponents' Testimony:

**Amy McKune, Registrar and Collections Manager**, discussed her job and the benefits of the museum. She spoke in favor of grant #931. She gave the subcommittee a copy of her testimony **EXHIBIT (j1h21a07)** and she described the attachments.

**SEN. EMILY STONINGTON SD 15 OF BOZEMAN** spoke on behalf of grant #931.

**SEN. DON HARGROVE SD 16 OF BELGRADE** spoke on behalf of grant #931.

**REP. CHRISTOPHER HARRIS HD 30 OF BOZEMAN** spoke on behalf of grant #931.

**REP. CINDY YOUNKIN HD 28 OF BOZEMAN** spoke on behalf of grant #931.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

**REP. KASTEN** asked what the note on page 32 of their workbook meant. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** explained that last session this grant was moved to the bottom of the cultural trust list in ranking order. It was to be funded if the revenues showed up and the revenues did not materialize therefore they did not receive the grant.

**Mr. McCullough** asked if the access **Ms. McKune** was talking about involved the internet and if a person could access the internet information for example the train photographs from any where. **Ms. McKune** said yes.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Museum of the Rockies, NO. 931, PG. 32.**

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HEARING ON LIBERTY VILLAGE ARTS CENTER

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Liberty Village Arts Center, NO. 980, PG. 81.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Marty Thieltges** spoke on behalf of grant #980. She gave information on the history of Liberty Village Arts Center and the present activities that take place there.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**REP. KASTEN** asked where the income is earned. **Ms. Thieltges** said the their rent is paid for and there is membership dues.

**Jane Hamman, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)** asked about total in-kind contributions. **Ms. Thieltges** said that it was donated equipment and materials. **Ms. Hamman** said it may be underestimated and they could be eligible for more money.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Liberty Village Arts Center, NO. 980, PG. 81.**

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**HEARING ON BUTTE CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Butte Center for the Performing Arts, NO. 943, PG. 44.**

**Carleen Layne, Accountant for Montana Cultural Trust,** commented that there was a revised grant application for grant #943. She handed the revision page **EXHIBIT (j1h21a08)** out to the subcommittee.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Shag Miller** testified on behalf of grant #943. He gave background information on the Butte Center. He explained the programs they offer and the performances that have taken place.

**SEN. DAN HARRINGTON SD 19 OF BUTTE,** spoke on behalf of grant #943.

**SEN. DEBBIE BOWMAN SHEA SD 18 OF BUTTE,** spoke on behalf of grant #943.

REP. BRAD NEWMAN HD 38 OF BUTTE, spoke on behalf of grant #943.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

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CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on **Butte Center for the Performing Arts, NO. 943, PG. 44.**

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HEARING ON SWAN ECOSYSTEM CENTER

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on **Swan Ecosystem Center, NO. 909, PG. 09.**

Proponents' Testimony:

REP. DOUG PETERSON HD 58, spoke on behalf of grant #909.

Anne Dahl, **Executive Director**, explained the center and the importance it plays in the community. She gave the subcommittee a copy of her testimony **EXHIBIT(jlh21a09)**.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

CHAIRMAN MCCANN asked how they would present the oral histories. Ms. Dahl said it will be on paper and summarized.

CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on **Swan Ecosystem Center, NO. 909, PG. 09.**

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HEARING ON YELLOWSTONE BALLET COMPANY

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on **Yellowstone Ballet Company, NO. 968, PG. 69.**

Proponents' Testimony:

Patricia Greco, **Chairman of the Board for the Yellowstone Ballet Company**; she also introduced **Kathleen Rakela, Director**, who was in the audience. She provided a Yellowstone Ballet Company

brochure, news article on Kathleen Rakela, letter from Patricia A. Kiderlen of the Livingston Area Chamber of Commerce, and a copy of the Park County Weekly featuring an article on one of the company's performances. **EXHIBIT (j1h21a10)**

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**REP. KASTEN** questioned their income. **Ms. Rakela** responded. **Jane Hamman** questioned their schedule. **Ms. Greco** responded they hope to market for the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Yellowstone Ballet Company, NO. 968, PG. 69.**

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**HEARING ON LIVINGSTON DEPOT FOUNDATION**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on the **Livingston Depot Foundation, NO. 952, PG. 53.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**REP. MICHELLE LEE, HD 26, Livingston,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Diana Seider, Museum Director, Depot Foundation,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. Brochures were provided to the committee members and copies of the testimonies.

**EXHIBIT (j1h21a11)**

**Vanessa Brittan, member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Livingston Depot Foundation and Vice President of the Park County Friends of the Arts,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**REP. KASTEN** questioned their in-kind contribution. **Ms. Seider** responded. **SEN. TESTER** questioned their operating hours. **Ms. Seider** responded. **SEN. TESTER** questioned the use of the grant and how they raise funds for repair and improvements of the building. **Ms. Seider** responded.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Livingston Depot Foundation, NO. 952, PG. 53.**

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**HEARING ON AGRICULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Agricultural Center and Museum, NO. 953, PG. 54.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**John Lepley, Executive Director** for the **River and Plain Society** in Ft. Benton Montana, they operate and maintain the **Montana Agricultural Center and Museum.**

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**Mr. Lepley** continued his testimony.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**SEN. TESTER** stated that it is an excellent place to visit. **Jane Hamman** questioned if they were preparing for the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial. **Mr. Lepley** responded that they just signed a cooperative agreement between the Blackfoot and Ft. Benton for programs during the bicentennial.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Agricultural Center and Museum, NO. 953, PG. 54.**

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**HEARING ON ART MUSEUM OF MISSOULA**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Art Museum of Missoula, NO. 939, PG. 39.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Stephen Glueckert, Curator, Art Museum of Missoula,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding.

**Marshall Delano, Treasurer and Director of the Art Museum,** spoke in favor of funding.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REP. KASTEN questioned about the amount of funds a mil would raise. Mr. Glueckert responded.

CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on **Art Museum of Missoula, NO. 939, PG. 39.**

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HEARING ON BIG HORN ARTS AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on **Big Horn Arts and Crafts Association, NO. 941, PG. 42.**

Proponents' Testimony:

Terry Jeffers, Director, Jail House Gallery, Hardin, reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. She provided a pamphlet entitled "Jail House Gallery". EXHIBIT (j1h21a12)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REP. KASTEN questioned the funding they have received. Ms. Jeffers responded. CHAIRMAN MCCANN questioned if the art center was non-profit. Ms. Jeffers responded yes.

CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on **Big Horn Arts and Crafts Association, NO. 941, PG. 42.**

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HEARING ON FORT PECK COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on **Fort Peck Community College, NO. 947, PG. 48.**

Proponents' Testimony:

REP. FRANK SMITH, HD 98, spoke in favor of funding and discussed the project. He provided a handout of announcements of art classes. EXHIBIT (j1h21a13)

**Stephen Mark, Director of the Art Department at Ft. Peck Community College**, spoke in favor of funding and discussed the project.

**Don LaRoque, part-time sculpture instructor at Ft. Peck Community College**. He is also a stone carver, pipe maker and dancer. He discussed the project and their goals.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**SEN. TESTER** questioned the number of people.... (tape ended)  
**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Fort Peck Community College**, NO. 947, PG. 48.

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**HEARING ON MONTANA STORYTELLING ROUNDUP**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Montana Storytelling Roundup**, NO. 908, PG. 08.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**SEN. GLENN ROUSH, SD 43, Cut Bank**, spoke in favor of funding and discussed the project and their programs; he provided a copy of his testimony. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a14)**

**Lee Jacobsen, member of the Montana Story Telling Roundup Committee**, spoke in favor of funding and discussed the project.

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**Jewel Wolk** shared a story.

There was rancher out of Browning who was going broke. There had been five years of very little rain, the bank was leaning on him, he was in big trouble. So he called in his foreman and said "I want you to take the men, go out and pick 30 seed heifers, two bulls and take the rest of them to the railhead at Blackfoot, put them on the train, follow them to Chicago to the stockyards, go through with them and whatever is left, the bank is going to have to settle for, because that is all I got left. Pay the men off at Blackfoot, don't tell them ahead of time what you're gonna do, just pay them off and I'll see ya when you get back."

He did. And the day he got in to Chicago and went through the stockyards with the cattle, something happened and the prices went way up and he got about three times more than they expected. He rode back to Cut Bank and when he got there he didn't want to go right out to the ranch. So he went in to his favorite place of worship. Sat down, got in to a poker game, using his own money, mind you, because he was an honest man. He sat there until one o'clock in the morning and he was the last one at the table and he had a hundred dollar bill in front of him. He never seen one before, he got real excited, but then he knew what he had to do, because he was an honest man. He went up to the bar and said "I have a little chit here, some of it upstairs, some of it at the bar." She said "yes", he gave her the hundred dollar bill. The next morning she took it and went to the grocery store and said "I have a bill here. Yes." He took it and went to the mortuary, he said "You put my mother away real good, here's a hundred dollar bill." He took the hundred dollar bill and he went out to the stables and gave it to the fella that takes care of his horses and carriages. He took the hundred dollar bill and went back out to he rancher. Now the rancher's got this same hundred dollar bill. Along comes the foreman and they sit down and go through all the paper work and they come right out to the penny and the rancher says "I am so pleased. I am so pleased. I want to give you a bonus." And he gives him the hundred dollar bill. "Now , he says, " one more thing. Will you go out in the South pasture where you left those heifers, I know the fence is loose, there's going to be some lightning tonite, I don't want them to get away. Will you spend the night with them, they know you." "Sure." So he gets some coffee and some bread and he goes out there and he builds a little fire and he sits down and he has his supper and then when he gets all through he pulls out his bull durham and he roles his cigarette and he puts it up to his mouth and takes out the hundred dollar bill out of his pocket and makes it into a little long thing and puts it down into the coals and sets it on fire and he brings it up and lights his bull durham cigarette and lets it burn down to a little tiny ash like that, because you see, ladies and gentleman, he recognized it as the counterfeit hundred dollar bill that he won in the poker game.

Now, if you give us the money that we need, it will spread just as far.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**Jane Hamman** questioned if they have a schedule of programs. **Ms. Jacobsen** responded their main program is April 27-28, 2001.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Montana Storytelling Roundup**, NO. 908, PG. 08.

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**HEARING ON FORT PECK FINE ARTS COUNCIL**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Fort Peck Fine Arts Council**, NO. 977, PG. 78.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Pat Etchart, volunteer & Chairperson for the Restoration Board of Ft. Peck Fine Arts Council**, spoke in favor of the project and provided background on their project. She provided pictures of the Fort Peck Theatre. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a15)**

**SEN. SAM KITZENBERG, SD 48**, went on record in favor of funding.

**REP. KARL WAITSCHIES, HD 96**, went on record in favor of funding.

**REP. DAVE KASTEN, HD 99**, went on record in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Fort Peck Fine Arts Council**, NO. 977, PG. 78.

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**HEARING ON VALLEY COUNTY COALITION**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Valley County Coalition**, NO. 936, PG. 37.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Betty Jagiello, community coordinator for the Valley County Coalition**, spoke in favor of funding and described the purpose of the coalition.

**Sharon LaBonty, secretary of the Valley County Coalition Board and President of the Northeastern Arts Network**, spoke in favor of funding and described the various programs.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned if the classes were after school. **Ms. LaBonty** responded yes and described further. **SEN. TESTER** questioned how they determined the number to benefit would be 7,000. **Ms. LaBonty** responded.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Valley County Coalition, NO. 936, PG. 37.**

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**HEARING ON CHIEF PLENTY COUPS STATE PARK**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Chief Plenty Coups State Park, NO. 901, PG. 01.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Doug Monger, Administrator, Parks Division, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)**, requested that to save time, he would review two of his projects today; one is for tomorrow. He provided a handout of his testimony. **EXHIBIT (j1h21a16)**

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**Mr. Monger** continued his testimony.

He discussed the second project: **All Nations Pishkun Association, Teepee Building Class, NO. 900, PG. 01.**

**Mr. Monger** stated that the **Makoshika State Park Ampitheatre** request will not be addressed because he believes that within their own state park funding they have ample finances to complete that project.

**REP. JOAN ANDERSEN, HD 23**, spoke in support of project No. 901.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**REP. KASTEN** questioned the source of the in-kind contributions. **Mr. Monger** responded that in both cases FWP contributes financially as-well-as in-kind with their own staffing. **SEN. TESTER** questioned why they limit the classes to Great Falls schools. **Mr. Monger** responded that they do not limit; that they use a 25 mile radius, but anyone who can come is welcome. The

small teepees will only go to the Great Falls school district. He described their program of a "traveling trunk" that consists of artifacts that can go from school to school statewide; FWP pays for the freight. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned how the funds for Chief Plenty Coups would be spent. **Mr. Monger** responded that it would be used for the direct support of the Day of Honor; hiring drummers, dancers, giant buffalo barbeque, some artisans, native American crafts people etc. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned if this has been a celebrated occasion in the past, as **REP. ANDERSEN** mentioned earlier. **Mr. Monger** responded yes. **SEN. TESTER** questioned the date on Chief Plenty Coups. **Mr. Monger** responded it is in September near Labor Day; his testimony states July, that is incorrect. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** asked if there would be people showing up tomorrow for Ulm Pishkun. **Mr. Monger** responded.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Chief Plenty Coups State Park, NO. 901, PG. 01.**

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**HEARING ON WRITER'S VOICE (BILLINGS YMCA)**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Writer's Voice (Billings YMCA), NO. 966, PG. 67.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Corby Skinner, Director of the Writer's Voice of the Billings Family YMCA,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. He provided a three page handout, including a map of their outreach across the state. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a17)**

**SEN. SAM KITZENBERG, SD 48,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Mark Browning, President, Volunteer Board of Trustees for the Montana Art Gallery Directors Association (MAGDA)** spoke in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Writer's Voice (Billings YMCA), NO. 966, PG. 67.**

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**HEARING ON BILLINGS PRESERVATION SOCIETY**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Billings Preservation Society, NO. 972, PG. 73.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Ruth Towe, Director of the Moss Mansion,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. She provided a brochure and the Billings Preservation Society, Inc. Newsletter.

**EXHIBIT** (j1h21a18)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned if they were close to completion of the project. **Ms. Towe** responded.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Billings Preservation Society, NO. 972, PG. 73.**

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**HEARING ON CARBON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Carbon County Historical Society, NO. 945, PG. 46.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Estelle Tafoya,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. She provided a slide presentation.

**REP. JOAN ANDERSEN, HD 23,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Carbon County Historical Society, NO. 945, PG. 46.**

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**HEARING ON TOBACCO VALLEY BOARD OF ART**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Tobacco Valley Board of Art, NO. 983, PG. 84.**

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**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Karin Lamb** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding.

**Donna Dunwoody, President, Tobacco Valley Improvement Association**, discussed their project and the handout: Tobacco Valley Strategic Action & Cultural Plan. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a19)**

**REP. KASTEN** informed the committee that **AUBYN CURTISS, HD 81** would like to go on record in favor of funding.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** questioned if they were before the committee previously. **Ms. Lamb** responded. **CHAIRMAN MCCANN** thanked them, and others who appeared today, for coming through the bad weather and roads to do their presentations.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Tobacco Valley Board of Art, NO. 983, PG. 84.**

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**HEARING ON YELLOWSTONE ART MUSEUM**

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **Yellowstone Art Museum, NO. 967, PG. 68.**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Gareld Krieg, Volunteer, President and Chairman of the Board of the Yellowstone Art Museum**, reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. He stated that **Ben Mitchell, Curator**, was also in the audience and available to answer questions. **Mr. Krieg** provided a copy of his testimony. **EXHIBIT(jlh21a20)**

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **Yellowstone Art Museum, NO. 967, PG. 68.**

*{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 206}*

HEARING ON FRIENDS OF MAKOSHIKA

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on **Friends of Makoshika, NO. 978, PG. 79.**

CHAIRMAN MCCANN stated that **Doug Monger, FWP**, testified that it is not being funded and they would not be present today.

CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on **Friends of Makoshika, NO. 978, PG. 79.**

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HEARING ON MINERAL MUSEUM

CHAIRMAN MCCANN opened the hearing on the **MINERAL MUSEUM, NO. 923, PG. 23.**

Proponents' Testimony:

**Ginette Abdo, Bureau of Mines and Geology, Assistant Director, Mineral Museum**, stated that in the audience is **Dick Berg, Museum Curator/Industrial Minerals Geologist**. She provided a fact sheet on the museum. **EXHIBIT (j1h21a21)** She also reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. She discussed the various items that we use daily that have a mineral ingredient: gum, catalytic converters, pencils, life savers, white stuffing in Oreo cookies, toothpaste and many more products.

**SEN. DAN HARRINGTON, SD 19**, spoke in favor of funding.

**SEN. DEBBIE BOWMAN SHEA, SD 18**, spoke in favor of funding.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

CHAIRMAN MCCANN questioned if this is a presentation they are developing. **Ms. Abdo** responded yes, it is an audio/visual presentation.

CHAIRMAN MCCANN closed the hearing on the **MINERAL MUSEUM, NO. 923, PG. 23.**

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HEARING ON FORT WILLIAM H. HARRISON MUSEUM FOUNDATION

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** opened the hearing on **FT. WILLIAM H. HARRISON MUSEUM FOUNDATION, NO. 903, PG. 04.**

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Proponents' Testimony:

**Raymond Read, Retired US Army Officer, Volunteer Director of the Montana Military Museum,** reviewed their project and spoke in favor of funding. He provided a booklet containing pamphlets. **EXHIBIT (j1h21a22)**

**Retired Major General Jim Duffy, former Adjutant General of the Montana National Guard, President of the Museum,** spoke in favor of the project.

**Retired Colonel C. L. Gilbertson, Museum Treasurer,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Retired Colonel Mark Radcliffe, former member of the First Special Service Force, Chairman of the Museum Building Committee,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Herb Goodwin, Canadian Army Member of the First Special Service Force, member of Board of Directors of the Foundation,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Dr. Robert Ruthemeyer, retired from Office of Public Instructions, Museum Volunteer,** spoke in favor of funding.

**Roger Hagan, Montana National Guard Officer Enlisted Association,** spoke in favor of funding.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

**CHAIRMAN MCCANN** closed the hearing on **FT. WILLIAM H. HARRISON MUSEUM FOUNDATION, NO. 903, PG. 04.**

End of recording.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 12:20 P.M.

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REP. MATT MCCANN, Chairman

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